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In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from January 4, 2007 to February 5, 2007.

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